

# Press Release

## HARFORD COUNTY GOVERNMENT

### Office of the County Executive



#### PUBLIC SAFETY

"Ensuring a Safe  
Harford"

#### EDUCATION

"Preparing Now,  
Building for the Future"

#### EFFICIENCY IN GOVERNMENT

"Governing Smarter"

#### ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

"Growing and Sustaining  
Harford's Prosperity"

#### ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

"Protecting Our  
Environment"

#### QUALITY LIVING

"Safeguarding What is  
Important to Harford  
County Citizens"

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### Statement from County Executive David R. Craig Regarding Hurricane Sandy

(Bel Air, MD) - - Harford County Executive David R. Craig has issued the following statement regarding the impact of Hurricane Sandy on Harford County.

*"I cannot stress enough that we are experiencing a very serious weather situation in our county. During the past six hours, Hurricane Sandy has strengthened. The National Weather Service projects that Harford County may receive 9 to 12 inches of rain and hurricane force winds of 70 to 80 miles per hour. The sustained winds are expected to begin today at approximately 6:00 p.m. and will be in the range of 45 to 55 mph.*

*Also, due to the heavy rainfall there is a serious threat of inland flooding. The Harford County Division of Emergency Operations is reminding citizens in flood prone areas to consider evacuating. Patterson Mill High School and the Level Volunteer Fire Company are available as Emergency Shelters if needed. When using an emergency shelter please bring personal hygiene items and towels.*

*Additionally, I recommend citizens avoid driving Monday afternoon through Tuesday due to hazardous conditions associated with the storm.*

*Harford County Government will be closed on Tuesday October 30. Additionally, Harford Community College, Harford County Public Schools, Harford County Public Library, the Aberdeen Proving Ground, as well as the municipal governments of Aberdeen, Bel Air and Havre de Grace have closed as well.*

*Citizens with routine, non-emergency inquiries should call the Harford County Hotline number 410-838-5800. For matters of an emergency nature, call 9-1-1.*

*This is a very serious storm and we urge our citizens to be cautious and act accordingly".*

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"Preserving Harford's past; promoting Harford's future"

